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REMARKS

By this amendment, the limitations of claim 6 have been placed into claim 1, claim 6 has been canceled. These amendments have been made to place the present application in better condition for appeal.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

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- 1. (Twice Amended) A combined stanchion cover and signage system, comprising:
- an elongated sleeve having a closed top and an open bottom defining a length, enabling the sleeve to be placed over a post or stanchion to be covered; and
- a message-bearing panel integrally formed with the sleeve <u>using a molding process</u>, the <u>message-bearing panel</u> [and] extending above the closed end <u>of the sleeve</u> [thereof], the panel having a height which is substantially less than the length of the sleeve.
- 7. (Twice Amended) The combined stanchion cover and signage system of claim [6] $\underline{1}$, wherein the message-bearing panel includes an informational decal included in the mold during the formation thereof.